

Questions & Answers – DIVA IARPA-BAA-16-13

Responses to Questions # 1 to #6

Question 1: DIVA IARPA-BAA-16-13 Reference: Section 4.B, 4th paragraph, “Volume 1 – Technical & Management Proposal (Limit to 25 Pages)”, “Section 2 – Summary of Proposal (Estimated not to exceed 25 pages)”, and Section 4.B.1 “Volume 1, Technical and Management Proposal (Limit of 25 pages).

Please clarify the page counts limitations. The Government specified the same page count limit for the overall Volume 1 and for Section 2. We recommend the Government allow 40 pages for the overall Volume 1 (cited in 4.B and 4.B.1).

Answer 1: Volume 1 – Technical & Management Proposal is limited to 25 pages. Section 2 – Summary of Proposal is limited to 10 pages. This change will be reflected in an Amendment to the BAA.

Question 2: What is the name of the Contracting Officer for the letter in Appendix A?

Answer 2: The Contracting Officer is Vaneta Wills.

Question 3: Can you please advise for IARPA-BAA-16-13, is the customer seeking a cost plus or fixed price submittal? Or is this up to the proposer to decide?

Answer 3: This is up to the proposer to decide how they would like to propose contract type within their cost proposal. However, the majority of our research and development contracts are cost type contracts.

Question 4: Our company didn’t get a chance to attend the DIVA Proposers’ Day held in July. Would it be possible to obtain the Attendee List for this event?

Answer 4: No, we had a deadline of 1 August for sharing this information that deadline has passed. However, the iarpa.gov website has the presentations and posters that were presented at the DIVA proposers’ day on July 12, 2016. In addition, the Interested Vendors List can be located at www.fbo.gov.

Question 5: Could you please provide concrete definitions for both primitive and complex activities?

Answer 5: The separation between primitive and complex activities will be determined during the program. As stated in the BAA on p. 6: “The DIVA Program Manager (PM) and Test & Evaluation (T&E) team will determine the category of specific activities as primitive or complex.”

For a basic description of primitive or complex activities, please use the following:

A primitive activity in the DIVA program is an activity that is not readily detected as a composite of multiple other activity detections.

A complex activity is an activity that is not primitive, or alternatively, it is an activity that may be readily detected as a composite of multiple other activity detections.

Question 6: Also, of the examples in section 1.A.2 of the BAA, could you specify which ones are considered primitive vs. complex?

Answer 6: As mentioned in the BAA, the categorization into primitive or complex will be determined during the program. However, below is categorization examples.

- (primitive) A person falling down (i.e., fainting, heart attack)
- (primitive) A person throwing a rock or another object
- (complex) A person abandoning a backpack or other object
- (complex) A person getting in or out of a vehicle
- (complex) A person unloading a vehicle
- (primitive) People carrying or brandishing weapons
- (complex) Two people exchanging an object (e.g., suitcase, bag, or box)
- (complex) Multiple people meeting and conversing